

Time-of-Use Base Interruptible Program (TOU-BIP)

COMMIT TO TEMPORARILY REDUCE ELECTRICITY DURING PERIODS OF PEAK DEMAND.



Save energy, reduce your electricity costs, and help ensure power reliability during peak times of energy use with Time-of-Use Base Interruptible Program (TOU-BIP).

During periods of high energy demand, customers who agree to temporarily reducing their energy usage during TOU-BIP events have the potential to earn monthly bill credits, while also offering much needed relief to the electric grid.

TOU-BIP puts you in control and offers many benefits.

- Receive incentives to reduce your energy usage to a pre-selected level of your choosing
- Maintain your minimum electrical needs during events
- Earn monthly bill credits year round—even when no events are called
- Help to ensure safe, reliable electric service to your business, as well as the community

How TOU-BIP works.

TOU-BIP events are called when Southern California Edison (SCE) receives a request from the California Independent System Operator (CAISO) to reduce

electrical load for emergency purposes. We may also initiate an event for local system emergencies or program evaluation.

TOU-BIP events are scheduled on a day-of basis—with either a 15- or 30- minute advanced notice—and may occur at any time (seven days a week, 365 days a year), but are limited to:

- One event per day (up to six hours)
- 10 events per calendar month
- 180 hours per calendar year

At the time of enrollment:

- You will select a Participation Option, choosing between 15- or 30- minute advanced notice of an event
- You must designate a contact to receive event notifications
- You will select a Firm Service Level (FSL)—the maximum amount of energy you commit to using during an event.

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When a TOU-BIP event is initiated, we will notify your designated contact via email, phone, or text.¹ Upon receiving the notification, your facility will have 15 or 30 minutes (based on your selected Participation Option) to reduce your electrical usage to your selected FSL. A second notification will be sent when an event has ended and your normal facility operations may resume.

Excess Energy Charges are in effect during events and will apply if power usage is not reduced to meet your FSL for the full duration of an event. Excess Energy Charges vary based on your voltage level and Participation Option. Remaining at or below your FSL will ensure Excess Energy Charges are not incurred.

Receive event notifications and alerts¹

When you enroll, you will designate a point of contact and select your preferred method to receive event communications—phone, email, and/or text. To help to ensure your contact is receiving the appropriate event notifications, contact information and alert preferences can and should be kept current and accurate by logging into My Account.

For added convenience, you may also download our free SCE DR Alerts mobile app to have notifications delivered straight to your smartphone.

How bill credits are calculated.

You receive monthly bill credits based on the difference between your average peak period kilowatt (kW) demand for each month and your FSL, excluding days participating in a BIP event(s). Credits vary depending

on the season, time of day (on-peak or mid-peak), voltage level and other factors, and credits apply whether or not TOU-BIP events are called in a given month.

Additional program details.

TOU-BIP events may be triggered for all, or a portion of, TOU-BIP participants, and may occur only for customers within a specific geographical area.

You may enroll in TOU-BIP at any time.² Once enrolled, you are only permitted to opt out or make changes to your Participation Option or FSL during the annual adjustment windows outlined in the TOU-BIP tariff.

There is a four-month minimum enrollment requirement if enrolled on or before July 1 in a given year. If the effective date of enrollment is after July 1 in any given year, you must be served under this schedule through November of the following year (for a maximum period of 17 months).

Does your business qualify?

To be eligible for TOU-BIP, your company must meet the following requirements:

- Current SCE customer with monthly demands of 200 kW or greater
- On a Time-of-Use or Real-Time Pricing rate schedule
- Ability to reduce at least 15% of your maximum electrical demand (a minimum of 100 kW) during each interruption event
- Have an interval meter for billing and monitoring purposes³



“With its commitment to energy management, Mission Foods has found ways to significantly lower its energy costs and carbon footprint while delivering the finest-quality products. The company’s first commitment placed two California plants on TOU-BIP more than 10 years ago, earning more than \$424,609 during that period.”

Daniel Padilla, Mission Foods Facility Manager
Rancho Cucamonga

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Prohibited Resources⁴

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) prohibits certain fossil-fueled generation resources to be used for load reduction during Demand Response (DR) events for this program. Prohibited resources include: distributed generation technologies using diesel, natural gas, gasoline, propane, or liquefied petroleum gas, in topping cycle Combined Heat and Power (CHP) or non-CHP configuration.

Participate in other programs for added savings.

You may also be eligible to participate in other DR programs, such as our Emergency Load Reduction Program (ELRP), to earn additional incentives.

As a participant in TOU-BIP, dual enrollment in ELRP is permitted and provides a second opportunity for you to receive additional savings by reducing your energy usage during non-TOU-BIP events. No special equipment is needed to participate and there are no penalties if you are not able to reduce your energy usage during an event.

For more information about ELRP or our other DR programs, please contact your SCE Account Manager or visit [sce.com/drp](https://www.sce.com/drp).



ENROLL IN TOU-BIP TODAY!

Visit [sce.com/drp/enroll](https://www.sce.com/drp/enroll).

For assistance, contact your SCE Account Manager directly or our Demand Response Help Desk at **1-866-334-7824**.

¹ SCE does not guarantee customer receipt of the notification. SCE is not liable for service provider costs associated with event notifications to customer communication devices.

² Per direction from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), SCE has placed a megawatt (MW) cap in the TOU-BIP program tariff that may limit enrollment.

³ SCE will provide the meter with some restrictions, if you are eligible.

⁴ Directed by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) in Decision (D.) 16-09-056.

This fact sheet is meant to be an aid to understanding SCE's pricing schedules. It does not replace the CPUC-approved tariffs. Please refer to Rate Schedule TOU-BIP for a complete listing of terms and conditions of service, which can be viewed online at [sce.com/tariffbooks](https://www.sce.com/tariffbooks).